1	2	3	4	5
18	Orissa	300.09	348.86	116.25
19	Punjab	29.42	17.96	61.05
20	Rajasthan	242.64	387.63	159.76
21	Sikkim	9.58	13.62	142.17
22	Tamil Nadu	521.03	831.74	159.63
23	Tripura	19.02	20.71	108.89
24	Uttar Pradesh	1472.69	1562.14	106.07
25	West Bengal	544.06	477.01	87.67
26	A&N Islands	2.68	2.18	81.34
27	D&N Haveli	3.51	3.94	112.25
28	Daman & Diu	1.45	0.88	60.69
29	Lakshadweep	2.64	2.11	79.92
30	Pondicherry	3.37	5.71	169.44
	TOTAL:	7354.04	8109.94	110.27

Improvement of Rural Sanitation

245. SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken steps to improve rural sanitation; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The revised guidelines of implementation of Centrally Sponsored Rural Sanitation Programme were sent to the States/Union Territories in March, 1991. These guidelines provide for creation of felt need for individual household sanitary latrines through health education, awareness camps, training of motivators, masons etc. For this purpose, 10 per cent of funds released under the Programme are allowed to be utilised for such activities including the expenditure on Information, Education and Communication components 5 per cent of the funds are allowed to be used for administrative cost, Sanitation Cell etc. Emphasis has been given on involvement of the local people/beneficiaries/panchayats. The scheme also provides for beneficiary contribution. In the case of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, the contribution can be in the form of cash or kind or labour. The matching contribution by the States/Union Territories under the Minimum Needs Programme has also been reduced. Steps have been initiated to introduce further improvements in the Rural Sanitation Programme.

Per-Capita Supply of Water

246. DR. ABRAR AHMAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of villages in the country where the per-capita supply of water is still below the prescribed minimum limit per day; and

(b) what are the short-term and long-term schemes Government have in hand to meet the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) According to the reports received from various States/Union Ter-